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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	09/859,429	KAYASHIMA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Nadia Khoshnoodi	2137	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Nadia Khoshnoodi. (3) _____.

(2) Donna Mason. (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 25 July 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 8.

Identification of prior art discussed: Wiegel, US Patent No. 6,484,261.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.


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(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner reviewed the proposed amendments as presented in the interview agenda. Specifically, Examiner recommended that the language presented in the claims may need to be made more clear and direct to point out the novelty of the Applicants invention. Examiner also referred Applicant's Representative to Rothermel et al., US Patent No. 6,678,261 which seems to include the limitations as proposed in the amendment. Furthermore, Examiner noted that if the claims are amended to change the scope, further consideration and search will be necessary.